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LIQUOR LAW RULING IS GIVEN FIRST TEST

Conviction Without Direct Evidence Claim Of The County Prosecutor

A rather novel court proceeding was held here Monday, when an inquest was held into the question as to whether or not Henry Daugherty, who lives about five miles east of Hartford, had whiskey in his possession for the purpose of sale. After hearing the evidence, the court held Daugherty under bond for his appearance at circuit court.

Daugherty, with his wife and son, moved into a house at Baltimore, about three months ago and a short time thereafter a report gained circulation that he was bootlegging liquor. Daugherty denied the charge.

Recently Bud Howard made affidavit that there were reasonable grounds for believing that Daugherty had liquor in his possession for the purpose of sale, and the inquiry following the warrant was held before Judge Cook Monday. The purpose of the inquiry was, not to show that Daugherty had actually sold liquor, but that he had liquor in his possession for the purpose of sale. A number of witnesses were examined, and the proof chiefly depended upon by county attorney Kirk to hold Daugherty for the grand jury showed that the accused did not perform any visible labor; that he owned two automobiles which were often in use, that a number of automobiles entirely out of proportion to those ordinarily using the road in that neighborhood were seen passing to and fro after Daugherty moved into the neighborhood, and that a great number of machines was observed to stop at his house. The testimony showed that in one afternoon and evening thirty-seven machines stopped at Daugherty's place. Men went to the place sober, according to some witness, and came away drinking.

A WOMAN'S HEART HURT

Mrs. Morris Chumley of McHenry, is a bit heart sick. No, her mother has not recently died, no reverses of fortune have occurred nor has a favored poodle strayed from home. It all came about through a mixup in rugs. Mrs. Chumley ordered from a mail order house a moderate priced rug for use in her dining room, but behold! when the rug arrived it was a thing of beauty and a joy forever. Colors richer than gold and prettier than roses adorned the wonderful floor covering, and Mrs. Chumley said nay to using this Persian product on the floor of an humble dining room. She rolled it with ceaseless care and supplying the necessary moth balls, hung it in the garret to await the time when her husband had made his fortune—as all young married women expect their husbands to do—when she would lay the rug on the floor of a palace to please the eye and excite the envy of her visitors. But the good woman was rudely awakened from her pleasing dream. Another lady of the town had ordered a parlor rug and the peppy clerk at the distributing house had crossed the shipments and that is the justification for the headline of this story.

BLOODPOISONING RESULTS FROM PARING CORN ON TOE

Mr. E. J. Tilford of Beaver Dam, died in a Louisville hospital Friday, and his remains were brought home for burial Saturday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. S. Buckner. He leaves a wife and three children.

Mr. Tilford had been in the restaurant business at Beaver Dam for nearly a quarter of a century, and was known and liked by a large number of friends and acquaintances.

Mr. Tilford's death resulted from bloodpoisoning, occasioned by paring a corn on his toe. He lost his footing in the fire that swept a large part of the block on which his business house was located, about a year ago, and while assisting in the building of a new brick structure, he leaked into his shoes, aggravating a corn on his toe, which he pared with a knife, causing a sore that induced bloodpoisoning. He went to Louisville about three weeks ago and had the affected

toe amputated, but the poison from the wound had already affected his system to such an extent that death resulted as stated.

AUTO KILLS BULLDOG AND OWNER DECLINES COMMENT

While on his way to Owensboro Tuesday Mr. Oscar Bishop, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Ed Barras, Mrs. Belle Cooper and Miss Sophia Woerner, was running at a moderate rate of speed near Masonville, when a fine bulldog dashed out in front of the machine and was instantly killed. Mr. Bishop stopped the machine and went back to the mangled body of the dog and made polite and appropriate apologies to the owner of the dog, who was present, but to Mr. Bishop's painful disappointment, that gentleman refused to acknowledge the apologies or to make complaint at the accident. After repeated explanations of his inability to stop the machine and his sincere regret at the unavoidable accident, and the man remaining as dumb as a post, Mr. Bishop resumed his journey, but the strange conduct of the man was an all-day mental burden for Mr. Bishop and his party.

SHERIFF BRATCHER BAGS ALLEGED BOOTLEGGERS

Sheriff Bratcher singlehandedly bagged a whole family of alleged bootleggers last week. For sometime rumors have been rife that Hagar was being sold by Henry Daugherty, who lives at Baltimore, a cross-roads village a few miles north of Hartford. Sometime ago, sheriff Bratcher armed with a search warrant, went on the premises of Daugherty and made a search for moonshine but failed to discover it. Friday afternoon, armed with warrants of arrests, the sheriff went out to Daugherty's place and arrested Daugherty, his wife Lucy, and son, Carl, a boy about sixteen years old, all charged with bootlegging. He brought the accused to Hartford and when taken before Judge Cook the accused were held to answer to the grand jury in bonds of \$200 each, which they made by a cash deposit with the court. Their cases will be brought before the next sitting of the grand jury.

WANTED TO BE OBLIGING

A candidate at the late primary tells this amusing story of his recent experience with a halfwitted colored voter. Meeting the negro one day the candidate, whose personality the negro had forgotten, asked him, "Did you vote for me in the primary?" "Yes, yuh," came the ready reply. "Why," the candidate continued, they tell me that Mr. — (naming himself) gave you a half dollar and that you voted for him. Why didn't you?" "Cause, don't you 'member that after that you give me a dollar, an' I voted for you." And the old colored voter still believes he pleased his interviewer.

AGED WOMAN DIES

Mrs. Ann Tanner died at her home in Owensboro Wednesday, and her remains were taken to Buck Creek, her former home, for burial.

Mrs. Tanner was the widow of Jonathan Tanner, deceased, and mother of Mr. A. S. Tanner, a prominent member of the Owensboro bar. She was 82 years old. She was known to many of the older people of this county.

WEDDING'S POSSUM SUPPER

Our old friend, Frank Wallace of Rosine, was in Hartford a few days ago and reported the possum crop numerous and well persimmon ripened in his community. Mr. Wallace proposed to furnish the possums if we homefolks of Judge Wedding's would supply the sweet taters and that we would entertain the Judge with a possum supper a few nights after his election, which everybody regards as a certainty. We promised the hearty corporation of Hartford citizens, who delight in nothing so much as to see the Judge eat possum.

DEATH OF OLATON WOMAN

Mrs. Fannie Jamison, wife of J. H. Jamison, died October 12. She was 67 years old. Her remains were laid to rest in the Raley burying ground the day following her death, after funeral services conducted by Rev. Maury of Fordsville.

OWENSBORO MESSENGER'S POLITICAL CLAPTRAP

The Republican submits in parallel columns two editorials taken from the Owensboro Messenger, each commenting on Judge R. W. Slack. The reader will note carefully the dates. One of these editorials was written when there was no election approaching, and the Messenger was expressing a calm unbiased opinion; the other one comes when it feels called upon to perform a party duty, and this one, perhaps by accident rather than design, appears under the very appropriate title of "Non-partisan Chaff." But even this claptrap article does not unsay any of the splendid opinions expressed of Judge Slack six years ago. The only crime the Messenger feels authorized to charge Slack with is that he was nominated by his party.

"NONPARTISAN" CHAFF

The full Republican ticket, under its party emblem, is printed this morning as an advertisement by the Republican committee. Every man is there in his proper place. They agreed for a Republican nomination and got it. But some of them are appearing for Democratic votes in the "nonpartisan" idea. How can a man claim nonpartisan votes when he runs for office as a partisan?

In the case of circuit judges the legislature has provided, in order to take these offices out of politics, that a candidate for circuit judge may submit his claims for nomination in the primary to both parties or all parties and his name upon proper petition shall be so placed upon the primary ballot. In several districts of Kentucky last August this was done. Some such candidates were nominated by both the Democratic and the Republican parties. Some won the nomination of one party and lost with the other. They could, therefore, go on in their candidacy on the ticket with which they succeeded.

But in our own district no nomination of both parties. Judge Slack, being for many years an ardent and aggressive Republican, asked only the Republican nomination. He chose to cast his lot solely with the "Log Cabin" party. He is said to have been active also in framing up the Republican county ticket. It was to his interest to do this. He needed all the help he could get from his fellow Republicans in getting out the full Republican vote. Nobody could blame him for that.

Democrats who have good memories can hardly vote for Slack, though he is a popular and genial man who has many personal friends. Until he was middle-aged he was a Democrat. For reasons best known to himself, some years ago he left the Democratic party and became a zealous Republican. Like the man who changes from one church to another he became an intense, partisan Republican. He has never been able to see anything good in the Democratic party since. He has done everything in his power to break up the Democratic party. He was elected circuit judge six years ago in this Democratic district because of an unfortunate breach at that time in the Democratic party. But that breach has long ago been healed and no considerable number of Democrats can ever be persuaded to vote to reelect Slack because he is a Republican partisan does not deserve Democratic votes.—Owensboro Messenger, Oct. 16, 1921.

IN COUNTY COURT

A. H. Stewart was appointed administrator of the estate of Mrs. Susan Stewart, deceased, and made bond with Henry Leach as surety. E. S. Howard, Charlie Smith and A. R. Carson were appointed appraisers. Only a small amount of property is involved.

Mrs. Mary Clark qualified as administratrix of the estate of her husband, F. W. Clark, deceased, and entered into bond with Otto Martin as surety. The appraisers appointed were J. C. Hocker, Robert Lauterwasser, and Oswald C. Hocker.

An order was entered in the county court authorizing H. C. Sapp, as administrator of the estate of Joel Sapp, to sell government bonds property of the estate, for the best price available.

John A. Johnson, who will necessarily be away from his voting precinct on election day, applied for and was granted the privilege of casting his vote before leaving for his place of business in Alabama.

TAKE A SECOND CHANCE

Mrs. Viana Taylor of Morgantown, and Mr. Shelby Rock of Hartford Route 4, were married by Judge Cook Friday. Each of the contracting parties is taking a second chance in the matrimonial lottery, and the Republican hopes they may each win a capital prize.

WE SALUTE JUDGE SLACK

Under the above caption the Owensboro Messenger, the leading Democratic paper in western Kentucky, paid the following high tribute to the personal worth and professional ability of Judge R. W. Slack, just after his election in 1915:

If we must have a Republican circuit judge in the Owensboro district, how fortunate are we that it is to be Robert W. Slack.

Search the district over and where could be found a member of the bar who would be more acceptable and more trustworthy in the estimation of the whole people?

We have known Bob Slack pretty tolerably well for thirty-four years—more than a third of a century. We have known him as a Democrat and as a Republican. And in all these years we have never known one thing of Bob Slack to his discredit. We have never known him to do a dishonorable thing. We never felt that he was capable of doing a dishonorable thing. There has never been a time when we would not have trusted our all with Bob Slack. There was never a man of greater loyalty to his friends than Bob Slack. There was never a truer friend. There was never in our observation, a man of higher sense of honor than Robert Slack.

He has lived in Owensboro nearly forty years. He has gone through many personal trials. He has reared a large and most interesting family. He has suffered adversity, but trudged on manfully never relaxing in his efforts as a good citizen and as a lawyer to do the best for his community in the dark hours, as in the brighter ones; and he has made good. His unflinching optimism, his radiant and infectious smile, his great charity toward his fellowmen, has served him and those who have enjoyed his friendship well.

As a lawyer he has held his own among the best; as judge he could only be fair and just, and in point of ability he will be far above the average of those on the bench in Kentucky.

The circuit judgeship comes to him at a most fitting time of life and he will at all times lend dignity to the office. EVERY LAWYER AND LITIGENT WILL GET JUSTICE. NOTHING MORE AND NOTHING LESS AT THE HANDS OF JUDGE ROBERT W. SLACK—Owensboro Messenger, November 7, 1915.

GENERAL NEWS BRIEFED

The American Legion will hold its national convention at Kansas City, beginning October 31.

An early reduction in freight rates will probably soon be ordered by the Inter-State Commerce commission.

The Grand Lodge of the Masons of Kentucky opened in Louisville Tuesday. Grand Master Fred Acker, in opening the meeting strongly denounced the Ku Klux Klan, and advised members of the lodge to have nothing to do with it.

The United States Railroad Labor Board has summoned five of the heads of the largest railroad workmen's organizations to appear before it in an effort to avert the threatened rail strike.

The peace treaties with Germany, Austria and Hungary were finally confirmed by the United States senate Tuesday, and the Wilson fiction of this country being still at war with those countries is finally ended. The treaties were confirmed by a vote of 66 to 20.

The Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Kentucky in session in Louisville this week, elected F. W. Hardwick of Louisville Grand Master.

A recent election in Berlin strongly indicates the tendency of German citizens to turn to the old monarchy. After the Democratic committee of Louisville had charged the Republicans with 1200 illegal registrants and

started a movement to purge the list the Republicans started a counter campaign of purging Democrats, and after two weeks of purging, two names of Democrats have been removed from the list, and no Republican has been proven to have illegally registered. Commenting on this result, the Louisville Herald says, "Indeed, the mountain labored and brought forth a mouse."

A prohibition compromise project is on at Washington. If the prohibitionists will give consent congress will authorize brewing of beer with just a little kick, say 2.75 per cent, and tax it \$5 or \$10 the barrel. This with the tax on dealers, it is believed, would add a billion dollars a year to the federal treasury. President Harding is said to favor such a compromise.

Four persons, two men and two women, drove up in an automobile to a Glasgow, Ky., school yard and enticed a twelve-years old girl to get into the car, and drove hurriedly away. The child had when very young been taken from an orphanage by a Glasgow family, and it is supposed relatives of the child were the kidnapers.

THE AUTOMOBILE RACES

The automobile races scheduled to occur at the fair grounds Saturday were rather poorly attended. Three races were on the program, but only one race was pulled off, and that late in the afternoon. The management was unable to secure the required entrances for the two other races entered on the program. On the whole the affair indicated that automobile racing is not a drawing sport in Ohio county.

AGED DENIZED OF ALMSHOUSE

Mr. Squire King, formerly of Dundee, mention of whose "coming over the hills to the poorhouse" appeared in these columns last week, is a unique character, and his present situation illustrates how Time may play strange games with men as pawns. Mr. King had been all his life a moral and industrious citizen, and has reared a family each member of which has found a useful and honorable place in the world. Recent age enfeebled the old man's mind, and his children were unable to keep him from wandering into hazardous places, and especially upon the railroad track. Then for his protection they had him locate at the almshouse, where he is not a charge upon the county, but all of the expenses of his living are paid by his children.

DEATH ENDS A USEFUL LIFE

Mr. Walker Myrtle, merchant and druggist of Horse Branch, died Friday, after a long illness due to cancer of the stomach. His remains were taken to Leitchfield for interment. He was about sixty years old, leaves a wife but no children.

Mr. Myrtle was born near Hites Fall on Rought river on the Grayson county side. He came to Horse Branch about thirty years ago and engaged in merchandising, and during his business career had amassed a considerable fortune. He was born of an old and honorable family whose traditions he had faithfully kept, both as a citizen and business man. He will be missed in the business and social life of his community.

SECOND MARRIAGE FOR BOTH

Mrs. Maybelle Herrel of Rockport, and Mr. Sam Shaver of Echols, were married at the courthouse by Judge Cook Friday morning. Each of the couple had been previously married.

BETHEL MENTIONS.

Mrs. Laura Naples is visiting her daughter at Central City this week.

Little Victory, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Albright, has arrived home from Louisville, where he had been visiting.

Mrs. Charlie Smith and Mrs. Albert Moxley were guests of Mrs. Preston Daugherty, at Taylor Mines, Tuesday.

Miss Marguerite McDowell, who has been ill of typhoid fever, is improving.

Mrs. John Carter of Central City, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Thompson of Simmons, Mrs. Barney Hocker of Midway, and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Tatum all spent the day with their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Luna Naples, Sunday.

CONSTABLE CAPTURES MOONSHINE DISTILLERY

Gas Burner, Tea Kettle And Sponge Make Up The Whole Outfit.

Bob Canary of Fordsville, assumed his duties as a peace officer, under the authority of constable, at McHenry a week ago, and is making a good officer.

This newspaper last week warned the bootleggers of the McHenry territory that officer Canary would make life hard sledding for them, and he began the war by bagging a moonshine still Tuesday. We have seen stills and stills, but this one, Canary brought to Sheriff Bratcher's office Wednesday morning tops them all. The still is a common teakettle, holding about two gallons, and the heating apparatus is an ordinary gas burner, such as one sees at country ice cream suppers. And the worm; well there wasn't any. The operator used a sponge to condense the steam and then pressed the liquor out with his hands. The entire outfit was worth about \$2.50.

Officer Canary found the outfit happening in a tree in the woods near McHenry, but could find no trace of the owner. The still was full of mash and about a gill of "white mule" was found in a fruit jar. From the nasty appearance of the liquor it would seem a fit punishment of the owner to sentence to him to drink a gill of his own concoction. The outfit, if run a whole day could not have made more than a pint of liquor.

In capturing this miniature still Mr. Canary has not materially reduced the daily production of moonshine, but he has shown he is trying to do his duty as an officer, and the effect will be wholesome in that as well as in other communities. Let the good work go on.

ARGUS CHANGES MANAGEMENT

The Central City Argus, which for the past six months has been under the editorial management of Judge R. O. Pace, has been taken over by Mr. Clayton Curd, the chief owner of the plant, who will assume both the business and editorial management of the paper. Mr. Curd is a man of active energy and splendid executive ability, and will give the people of that city and Muhlenberg county a high class newspaper.

LOUIE IS DEAD

To the newspaper man's lot it falls to record the deaths of many people. The task is usually a perfunctory one, accomplished with due respect, but without personal feeling. Yet occasionally he must mention a death that has something in its relation of personal sadness, and it is with such feeling that the writer undertakes to mention the death Sunday night of Louie Barrett, a colored man of Hayti. Louie had fought none of life's great battles, won none of its great victories; but had, in his simple way, played a humble but useful part in the role in which nature cast him. Louie's traits were not all virtues, and maybe there are those who will but grudgingly grant him the virtues we impute him, but we are writing from our point of view, not theirs. Louie's first service to the writer, an honorable one, was given now more than a quarter of a century ago, and through all the intervening years he had ever greeted us with a welcome smile and performed with pleasure any service we have asked of him. We care little what others may think of the now dead and gone Louie; he was our friend and we sorrow at his going.

HORSE BRANCH NEWS

Farmers here are very busy just now, gathering corn and getting in their winter wood.

"Uncle Jimmie" Miller is very ill of heart trouble.

Mr. Boyd Camp is visiting Mr. Clifford Stogner, at Fairview this week.

Mr. Dick Ashford and Mrs. Tula Schroeder of near Horton, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. DeHart Sunday and Monday.

Miss Katy DeHart will visit Miss Dana Schroeder Saturday and Sunday.